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PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND ANNOTATIONS FOR THE THIRD EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE BOARD

Introductory note

At its second (pre-sessional) executive session on 5 March 1993, the Board decided to convene an executive session in order to consider developments in the Uruguay Round, and agreed that the session should be held on Tuesday 27 April 1993.

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I. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1 - Adoption of the agenda

Item 2 - Developments in the Uruguay Round

The Consultations of the Secretary-General of UNCTAD, held on 1 March 1993, recommended to the Trade and Development Board that an executive session of the Board be convened, after the second part of the Board's thirty-ninth session, for the purpose of discussing developments in the Uruguay Round at a high level.

Acting on that recommendation, the Board, at its second (pre-sessional) executive session on 5 March 1993, decided to convene an executive session on 27 April 1993, to discuss developments in the Uruguay Round.

At the second part of its thirty-ninth session (824th plenary meeting on 26 March 1993), the Board decided that the report of the Chairman of Sessional Committee I on item 4 ("Developments and issues in the Uruguay Round of particular interest to developing countries") should be transmitted to the executive session of the Board on 27 April.

At the same meeting, the Board also adopted the "Message from the Trade and Development Board to the Governments participating in the Uruguay Round of Multilateral Trade Negotiations" and authorized the President to transmit the message, on behalf of the Board, to the Chairman of the Trade Negotiations Committee of GATT for circulation as an official document to all Governments participating in the Round.

Documentation

TD/B/EX(3)/2	Developments in the Uruguay Round Note by the UNCTAD secretariat

Item 3 - Reports and activities of the subsidiary bodies of the Board: matters requiring action

- Report of the Working Party on the Medium-term Plan and the Programme Budget on its twenty-second session

The twenty-second session of the Working Party was held from 5 to 8 April 1993 for the purpose of reviewing the UNCTAD section of the proposed United Nations Programme Budget for the biennium 1994-1995.

The report on the Working Party's session will be before the Board at its third executive session.

Documentation

TD/B/EX(3)/L.1 Report of the Working Party on the Medium-term Plan and the Programme Budget on its twenty-second session

Item 4 - Institutional, organizational, administrative and related issues

(a) New States members of UNCTAD

By resolution 47/225 of 8 April 1993, the General Assembly admitted "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" to membership in the United Nations. Under the provisions of General Assembly resolution 1995(XIX), this new State Member automatically also became a member of UNCTAD, thus bringing UNCTAD's membership to 185.

No documentation

(b) Membership of the Trade and Development Board

At its second pre-sessional executive session, on 5 March 1993, the Board confirmed the membership of the Trade and Development Board at 136.

The Secretary-General of UNCTAD, in the meantime, has received a communication from the Republic of Azerbaijan indicating its desire to become a member of the Board.

The Board may wish to admit the Republic of Azerbaijan to the membership of the Board.

No documentation

Item 5 - Other business

Item 6 - Report of the Board on its third executive session

The Board may wish to authorize the Rapporteur, in consultation with the President, to prepare the report of the Board on its third executive session.